

SECOND DAY

(Wednesday, November 11, 1992)

The Senate met at 12:00 noon pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Armbrister, Barrientos, Bivins, Brooks, Brown, Carriker, Dickson, Ellis, Glasgow, Green, Haley, Harris of Tarrant, Harris of Dallas, Henderson, Johnson, Krier, Leedom, Lucio, Lyon, Moncrief, Montford, Parker, Ratliff, Rosson, Sibley, Sims, Tejeda, Truan, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Absent-excused: Turner.

A quorum was announced present.

The Reverend Romilly Timmins, Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, offered the invocation as follows:

O Lord God, shower down upon these, to whom we have entrusted the government of this great state, Thy presence. Grant to them at this time special gifts of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and strength, that upholding what is right, and following what is true, they may govern the people of this state in ways that are pleasing to Thee. We ask for the gifts of brains that think, and hearts that feel, coupled with imagination and courage, so that justice, peace and tranquility may abound. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

On motion of Senator Brooks and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator Turner was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Moncrief.

SENATE BILL AND RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING

The following bill and resolution were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

S.J.R. 3 by Sibley State Affairs
Proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the number of times an official in the executive or legislative department of the state may be elected.

S.B. 4 by Green State Affairs
Relating to the issuance of special license plates for certain vehicles to be operated by disabled persons.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

House Chamber
November 11, 1992

The Honorable Bob Bullock
President of the Senate

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H.C.R. 1, Honoring the memory of James F. Hury, Jr.

Respectfully,

BETTY MURRAY, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

Senator Barrientos was recognized and presented Dr. Elliot Trester of Austin as the "Doctor for the Day."

The Senate welcomed Dr. Trester and thanked him for his participation in the "Capitol Physician" program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

SENATE RESOLUTION 2

Senator Zaffirini offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Veterans Day is celebrated each year by our nation on November 11 to pay tribute to those men and women who have served their country in times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, The courage and personal sacrifice of these noble Americans are sources of tremendous pride and gratitude for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, This special day is an opportunity for Americans everywhere to express their heartfelt appreciation for the valor and dedication to freedom our nation's veterans have shown on behalf of our beloved country; and

WHEREAS, Proud of being Americans and ever mindful of the duties and responsibilities inherent in good citizenship, the men and women of our armed forces deserve praise for their loyal defense of our country and its ideals; and

WHEREAS, It is a grateful nation today that reflects upon our American heritage and recognizes the extreme sacrifices made by all who have served in our nation's armed services; and

WHEREAS, On this poignant day it is indeed fitting for Texans to reaffirm our commitment to our veterans and their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 72nd Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby honor and commend the gallant men and women who have fought so bravely in all our country's wars to uphold the ideals cherished by all Americans; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That as the Texas Senate adjourns this day it do so in tribute to those veterans who served our country so that we might enjoy the freedom they preserved for us.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Brooks and by unanimous consent, the names of the Lieutenant Governor and Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

On motion of Senator Zaffirini and by unanimous consent, the resolution was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

SENATE RESOLUTION 96 (Adopted in Third Called Session)

The President and Senator Brooks offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes great pride in recognizing Speaker of the House of Representatives Gib Lewis for his 22 years of outstanding service in the legislature; and

WHEREAS, First elected to the House of Representatives in 1971, Gib Lewis is now in his 11th term, has served in 11 Regular Sessions, 26 Special Sessions, one impeachment session, and one constitutional convention; and

WHEREAS, Elected to the position of Speaker of the House in 1983, he has presided over five Regular Sessions, setting a record, and 16 Special Sessions; and

WHEREAS, Speaker Gib Lewis has been largely responsible for the significant accomplishments of the Texas House of Representatives during the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, Talented, distinguished, and versatile, Speaker Gib Lewis has provided invaluable leadership to the legislature and to the people of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Through his dynamic personality and political acumen he has guided the representatives through many difficult and challenging times and he has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues in state government; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his successful career, Speaker Lewis has received the love and support of his wife, Sandra, and his children, Cammie Lewis Morvan and Cathy Lewis Baker; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 72nd Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby express appreciation and gratitude to Speaker Gib Lewis for his countless contributions to the legislature and to the State of Texas; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be presented to Speaker Gib Lewis as an expression of highest regard from the Texas Senate.

BULLOCK
BROOKS

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Truan and by unanimous consent, the names of the Lieutenant Governor and Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

**PRESENTATION TO
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
GIB LEWIS**

The President and Senator Brooks presented Speaker Gib Lewis with a framed copy of S.R. 96 in appreciation of his many years of dedication and service to the people of the State of Texas. (The resolution was previously read and adopted on Wednesday, January 8, 1992, 3rd Called Session.)

Speaker Gib Lewis briefly addressed the Senate.

RECESS

On motion of Senator Brooks, the Senate at 12:28 p.m. took recess until 5:00 p.m. today.

AFTER RECESS

The Senate met at 5:00 p.m. and was called to order by Senator Brooks.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

By unanimous consent, Senator Parker submitted the following report for the Committee on Education:

S.J.R. 1

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

On motion of Senator Leedom and by unanimous consent, the following bill was introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

S.B. 5 by Leedom Education
Relating to financing public schools.

RECESS

On motion of Senator Truan, the Senate at 5:01 p.m. took recess, in memory of those veterans who gave their lives and those who served our country so that we might enjoy the freedom they preserved for us, until 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY
(Continued)
(Thursday, November 12, 1992)

AFTER RECESS

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

SENATOR ANNOUNCED PRESENT

Senator Turner, who had previously been recorded as "Absent-excused," was announced "Present."

RESOLUTION SIGNED

The President announced the signing in the presence of the Senate the following enrolled resolution:

H.C.R. 2

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 3

On motion of Senator Brown and by unanimous consent, Senators Henderson, Turner, Green and Brooks will be shown as Co-authors of S.C.R. 3.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

S.B. 6 by Green Intergovernmental Relations
Relating to eligibility for service retirement under the Texas County and District Retirement System.

S.B. 7 by Henderson, Ellis, Intergovernmental Relations
Brown, Brooks, Green, Whitmire
Relating to the validation of government acts and proceedings regarding certain bond elections in municipalities with a population of more than 1.5 million.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

Senator Sims was recognized and presented Dr. Dan Ramsey of Johnson City as the "Doctor for the Day."

The Senate welcomed Dr. Ramsey and thanked him for his participation in the "Capitol Physician" program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.